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Siskiyou National Forest Supervisor Named

Ronald J. McCormick has been named Supervisor of the Siskiyou National Forest headquartered in Grants Pass, Oregon, according to Pacific Northwest Regional Forester Jeff M. Sirmon. McCormick, 48, will report to his new assignment October 30. He is now Assistant Regional Director of Recreation in the USDA Forest Service Regional Office in Portland, a position he has held since January 1980. He will replace Bill Covey who transferred to Montana as Director of Timber Management for the Northern Region.

A native of Ohio and a 1958 forestry graduate of the University of Michigan, McCormick worked summers on National Forests in Idaho and California before receiving a permanent appointment in 1958. McCormick's early career was spent in National Forests in California. He worked in timber management on the Stanislaus National Forest; was timber management assistant on the Mad River Ranger District, Six Rivers National Forest; was District Ranger of the Big Bear District of the San Bernardino National Forest; and was recreation staff officer on the Inyo National Forest from 1968 until 1974.

In 1974, he moved to Montana as Deputy Forest Supervisor of the Lolo National Forest. In that position, he was responsible for coordinating the Forest's timber management program with other forest resources. In 1976, he was assigned to the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest in eastern Oregon as head of the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area Planning Team. In 1980, he moved to his present assignment in Portland.

Accompanying McCormick in his move to Grants Pass will be his wife Carol and three children, Todd (15), Dan (14), and Katrina (12). The family also includes Mike, a college student in California, and daughter Shannon who lives in Baker.

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